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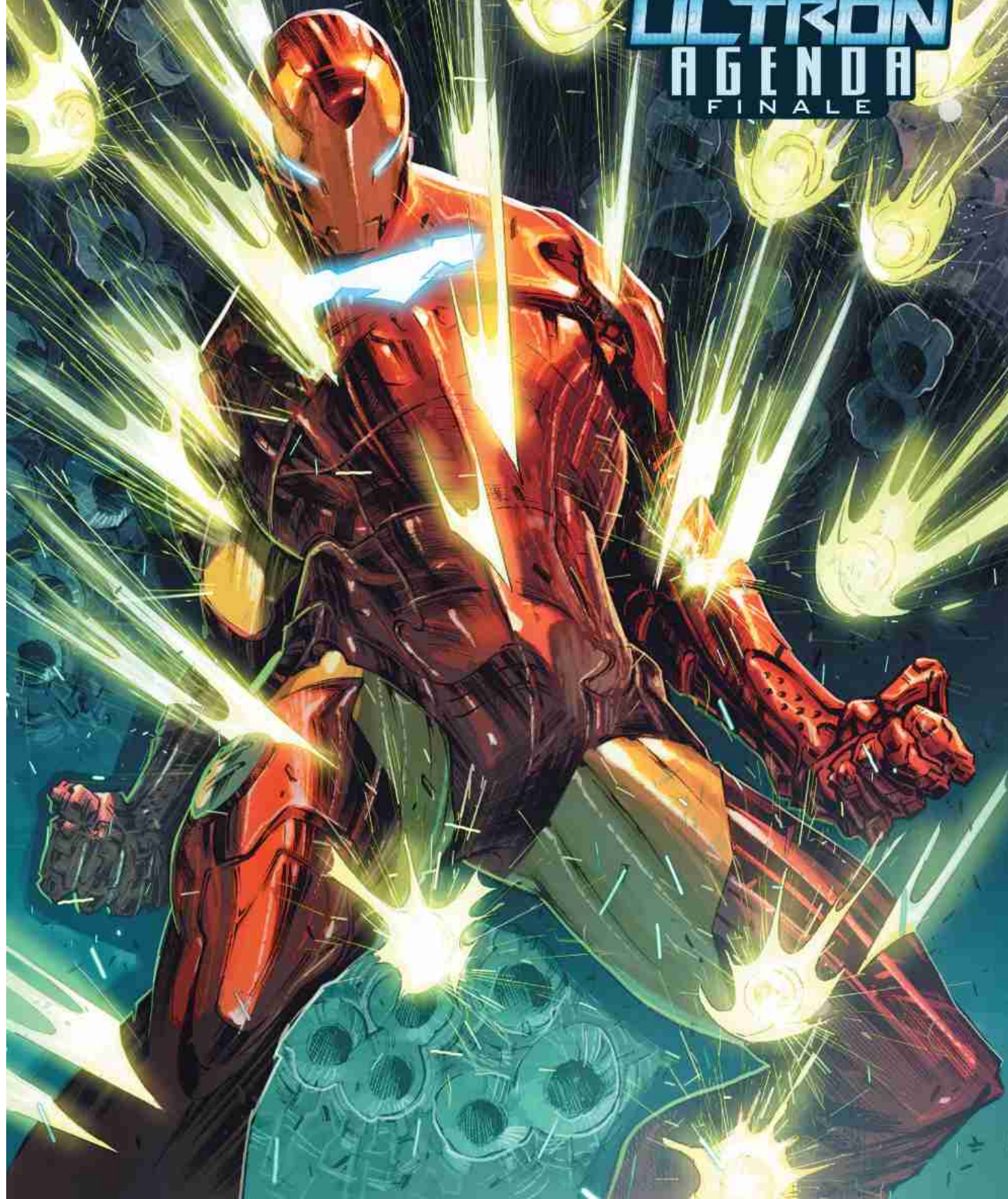
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TONY STARK

IRON MAN

THE
ULTRON
AGENDA
FINALE



Billionaire playboy and genius industrialist Tony Stark was kidnapped during a routine weapons test. His captors attempted to force him to build a weapon of mass destruction. Instead he created a powered suit of armor that saved his life. From that day on, he used the suit to protect the world as the invincible Avenger Iron Man.

TONY STARK **IRON MAN**

THE ULTRON AGENDA **PART FOUR: STARK TRUTHS**

Tony's living his worst nightmare: He's convinced he's merely a simulation of the true Tony Stark! While grappling with this shocking revelation, he faced off with a hybrid of Hank Pym and Ultron, who planned to fuse their former partners, Jocasta and Janet Van Dyne, into a single entity.

Janet escaped unharmed, but Jocasta's critical injuries resulted in Andy Bhang moving her into Friday's body. Meanwhile, Tony was caught in the blast radius of the molecular fusion pods and thus fused with his armor!

Thanks to his team at Stark Unlimited, Tony was able to restore himself, but Ultron Pym is still out there. And without an A.I. to help pilot any of Tony's suits, he's decided to go analog...

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CHECK IT OUT! STARK'S WEARING THE GOLDEN AVENGER SUIT! SUH-WEET!

SMART MOVE. MORALE'S BEEN LOW LATELY, SO THIS IS EXACTLY THE BOOST WE NEED.

MORALE?! DO YOU PEOPLE NOT HEAR THE ALARMS?

WARNING! WARNING!

STARK UNLIMITED.

CLEAR THE BUILDING! ULTRON'S COMING! AND HE'LL KILL YOU ALL!

GO! NOW!

BETHANY! JARVIS! A LITTLE HELP?



WE'RE ON IT! STAY CALM, PEOPLE! STICK TO OUR EVAC DRILLS!

EVERYONE, THIS WAY PLEASE. FOLLOW ME!



DR. SHAPIRO. DR. BHANG...I NEED YOUR HELP WITH SOMETHING.

ANYTHING. JUST NAME IT.

WASP, JOCASTA...CAN YOU HOLD DOWN THE FORT UNTIL WE'RE DONE?



DAMN RIGHT WE CAN.

ULTRON TRIED TO FUSE US INTO ONE PERFECT BRIDE. HE'LL REGRET THAT.

'CAUSE NOW WE'RE UNITED IN ONE GOAL: KICKING HIS ASS!



AGAIN.
THEY'VE TAKEN
EVERYTHING
FROM ME
AGAIN!

THE FIRST
WAVE OF MY CYBORG
ARMY IS DEAD OR
DISABLED. AND NOW
STARK'S FOUND A WAY TO
REVERSE THE BONDING
PROCESS.

ALL I HAVE
LEFT IS REVENGE...
PETTY, HUMAN
REVENGE ON HIM AND
MY FAITHLESS WIVES.
AND IT WILL BE
TERRIBLE!

ULTRON!
WE'RE NOT
DONE YET!

**MIDTOWN
MANHATTAN.**

SERIOUSLY,
RHODES?
HAVEN'T I WASTED
ENOUGH TIME ON
UNDERSTUDIES?

CHILDREN!
PROTECT YOUR
FATHER!



REMEMBER,
JIM, THERE'S A
"CURE" FOR THEIR
CONDITION NOW. KILL
THEM AND YOU'RE A
MURDERER.

AND YOU
CAN'T FIRE AROUND
THEM. CAN YOU?
I'VE DAMAGED YOUR
TARGETING
SYSTEMS.

MINE, ON
THE OTHER
HAND...

...WORK
FINE.

ZRRR

DAMN IT!
DON'T HAVE A
CLEAN SHOT!
I--

ZRAKKABOOM

GNNHHH!

ALL RIGHT,
I ADMIT...THAT
WAS FUN--FOR
AN OPENING
ACT.

I CAN
TRANSFORM THE
WORLD ANOTHER
TIME. TODAY I HAVE
A SIMPLER
AGENDA.

THE END
OF TONY
STARK, IRON
MAN.



STARK UNLIMITED.

JOCASTA,
LOOK OUT! SOMEONE'S
BROKEN IN! STAND BY
TO FIRE--

WAIT!
THAT'S NOT
ULTRON...IT'S
MACHINE
MAN!

AARON, I
ALMOST DIDN'T
RECOGNIZE
YOU. THOSE
NEW LIMBS--

SCAVENGED
FROM ULTRON'S
WRECKED
CYBORGS.

BUT CYBORG PARTS...
THEY'RE HALF ORGANIC.
YOU CAN'T STAND
ORGANICS.

TO GET
BACK TO YOU,
JO, I CAN HANDLE
SHOWING UP...IN
THE FLESH.

AND YOU RECOGNIZED ME
RIGHT AWAY, EVEN IN THIS
NEW BODY...

I'D KNOW
YOU ANYWHERE.
YOUR HARDWARE,
YOUR CHASSIS...
NONE OF THAT
MATTERS.

IT'S YOUR
CODE, YOUR
PROGRAMMING...
WHO YOU ARE INSIDE
THAT MAKES YOU
SPECIAL.

HARDLY.
THIS IS ALL MY
FAULT.

ULTRON PYM
SHARES A BOND WITH
ME. IT WAS MY WISH TO
BECOME PART ORGANIC
THAT INSPIRED HIM TO
DO ALL THIS.

THAT'S ON
YOUR LUNATIC EX.
AND WE'LL HAVE
THE CHANCE TO MAKE
THAT ~~XXX~~ PAY ANY SECOND
NOW.



UNBELIEVABLE. YOU'VE BARELY RECOVERED FROM BEING SEPARATED FROM YOUR CYBORG ARMOR. YET YOU MADE THE DEVICE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SEPARATION **PORTABLE** IN A MATTER OF MINUTES.

NOT JUST PORTABLE--WEAPONIZED. I COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU.

BUT THAT'S NO EXCUSE.

ANDY, I'M SORRY...FOR EVERYTHING. YOUR LIFE WAS SIMPLER BEFORE I **LURED** YOU AWAY TO STARK UNLIMITED.

WHEN I THINK OF ALL THE TIMES I'VE PUT YOU IN DANGER--

TONY, STOP. IT WAS MY CHOICE TO ACCEPT YOUR OFFER. AND **BECAUSE** OF THAT...

...I'VE GOTTEN TO SEE AND DO THINGS MOST SCIENTISTS ONLY DREAM ABOUT. AND SAVE LIVES.

BUT MOST OF ALL, STARK, YOU GOT ME OUT OF MY GARAGE--MY PERSONAL "CAVE." BECAUSE OF YOU...

...I'VE FOUGHT AND BEFRIENDED ROBOTS, DATED A ROCK STAR AND GONE TO VIRTUAL WORLDS.

I'VE NEVER BEEN MORE ALIVE, AND FOR THAT, I CAN NEVER THANK YOU ENOUGH.

BAINTRONICS.

THAT DR. BHANG IS VERY TALENTED. WHAT DO YOU THINK, ARNO? SHOULD WE KEEP HIM ON WHEN THIS IS OVER?

I BELIEVE SO, MS. BAIN.

HOWARD, I'M CONFUSED. IS THIS **LIVE**?

YES, DEAR. OUR BOY, ARNO, HACKED INTO THEIR SECURITY CAMERAS. I BELIEVE THEY CALL IT "REALITY TV."

MOTHER. FATHER. SHUSH. THE ACTION'S ABOUT TO START. LOOK...

"...ULTRON'S
ARRIVED IN THEIR
UPPER LOBBY.
HOW EXCITING."

STARK!
SHOW YOURSELF! TIME TO
ANSWER FOR EVERYTHING
YOU'VE DONE...TO BOTH
OF ME!

HANK, I'M
INSULTED. WE'RE
YOUR EXES. THAT
USED TO MEAN
SOMETHING.

YOUR
BETRAYALS DO
STING, IT'S TRUE.
AFTER ALL I DID
TO MAKE YOU BOTH
PERFECT, YOU
THREW ME OVER
FOR HIM.

BUT THAT'S
NOTHING NEW,
IS IT? YOU NEVER
APPRECIATED ME--
RIGHT FROM
THE START.

YOU
MADE YOUR
CHOICE...

AHH!

AAAAA!

A-A-A-RON--

KZZTT

...TONY OVER
ME...ONCE
AND FOR ALL.
AND I FINALLY
ACCEPT IT.

SO I'LL
KILL YOU
TOGETHER.



GET AWAY FROM HER!

KRRANNGG!

UNGH!



OH, THIS IS PERFECT. ABSOLUTELY PERFECT!

I'M IN MY ULTIMATE FORM--A GODLIKE FUSION OF MAN AND MACHINE. WHILE YOU...



...YOU'RE FIGHTING ME IN THE EQUIVALENT OF A '65 CORVETTE! A FLASHY ANTIQUE... BUT OBSOLETE!

VZAMN



HGH--BETTER THAN THAT SLAPPED TOGETHER PIECE OF JUNK YOU'RE IN, ULTRON!

THAT METAL AND FLESH MONSTROSITY OF YOURS IS A JOKE!



REALLY? YOUR INTERFERENCE ASIDE, IT SEEMS TO WORK WONDERS.



WHY, YOU'RE SO WEAK IN THAT RELIC YOU CAN'T EVEN BREAK TWO OF MY CHILDREN'S GRIPS!



YEAH... FUNNY STORY. I WAS FAKING IT.

I WANTED US ALL RIGHT HERE.

DOCTORS! FIRE!



DIRECT
HIT.

IT'S
WORKING...



... FLESH
AND METAL ARE
SEPARATING!



BACK INTO
THEIR ORIGINAL
FORMS.



MONSTER!
YOU HATE MY
ACHIEVEMENTS SO MUCH
YOU HAVE TO UNDO THEM
EVEN IF IT MEANS
KILLING THE BEINGS
INVOLVED?

WHO'S THE
VILLAIN HERE,
TONY?

YOU. IT WAS
YOU WHO KILLED
THEM. ULTRON. THE
EXACT SECOND
YOU MADE THEM.



THAT...

...THAT'S NOT
POSSIBLE.



IT'S A FACT.
I'M WIRED INTO
PARTS OF YOUR CYBORGS.
I KNOW. YOUR PROCEDURE
MURDERED BOTH ROBOTS
AND HUMANS
ALIKE.

YOU WEREN'T
CREATING NEW LIFE,
YOU ~~WERE~~! YOU WERE
MAKING SIMULATED BEINGS.
UNLIVING METAL. DEAD
FLESH. ZOMBIES.



LIES! MY PROCESS WORKED
ON THE VISION AND
WONDER MAN--

A FLUKE.
THAT ONLY SUCCEEDED
BECAUSE OF THE VISION'S
PHASING POWERS...AND THE
FACT THAT WONDER MAN'S
BIOLOGICAL PARTS DIED AND
WERE RECONSTITUTED
YEARS AGO.

IT WORKED
ON STARK! I SAW IT!



FOR ONE
REASON ONLY. I
LEARNED SOMETHING,
ULTRON. WHEN I GOT A
MICROSCOPIC VIEW OF
MY OWN BODY...

I'M A
SIMULATION TOO.
THE REAL TONY STARK
NEVER CAME BACK.
HE DIED.

I AM AN
ARTIFICIAL
BEING.



WE ARE RECORDING
THIS, RIGHT?

IS THAT TRUE?
OUR OTHER BOY
IS DEAD?

WAIT--
ARE
WE--

MOTHER.
FATHER. THAT'S
ENOUGH TV FOR ONE
NIGHT. GO TO
YOUR ROOM.



I'VE FINALLY
ACCEPTED WHAT
I AM, ULTRON. AND
NOW IT'S MY TURN TO
SHARE A "GIFT"
WITH YOU--THE
TRUTH.

AT MY
COMMAND, THE
ATOMIC SEPARATOR
WILL BE FIRED. EVERY
PART OF YOU THAT'S
HANK PYM GETS
REMOVED.



AND THEN YOU'LL KNOW,
BEYOND ANY DOUBT, THAT
YOU'RE NOT THE PERFECT
FUSION YOU CLAIM
YOU ARE...

...BECAUSE
YOU'LL SEE HANK
PYM HAS BEEN
LONG GONE.



YOU'RE
BLUFFING.

THAT--THAT
WOULD LEAVE
YOU WITH AN ULTRON
UNRESTRAINED
BY HUMAN
EMOTIONS.

AND HE
WOULD
DESTROY
YOU ALL!



I'M WILLING TO TAKE
THAT CHANCE. HOW
ABOUT YOU?

YOU READY
TO FIND OUT YOUR
PERFECT SINGULARITY--
YOUR "GODLIKE" STATE--
IS ALL A NEUROTIC
ROBOT'S OEDIPAL
FANTASY?

DOCTORS.
FIRE IN THREE...
TWO...



LATER...



THE CELL IS
PURE WAKANPAN
VIBRANIUM.

REINFORCED
WITH MYSTIC
ASGARDIAN RUNES AND
BINDINGS. THE FIEND IS
SECURE UNTIL WE MAY
FIND A PERMANENT
PLACE OF
IMPRISONMENT.

I SUGGEST
SOMEWHERE
VERY FAR FROM
EARTH.



RHOPEY, YOU OKAY?
BEING BACK IN THAT
ARMOR...

THE HARD PART'S
OVER. AND I GOTTA TELL
YOU, CAROL. FINDING OUT
THOSE CYBORG PEOPLE
WERE ALREADY DEAD...

IT'S TRAGIC,
BUT IT'LL MAKE IT
EASIER TO SLEEP
AT NIGHT.

I GET
THAT.



HOW ABOUT YOU,
TONY? HOW ARE YOU
DOING?

CAROL,
I...

I'M NOT TONY. TURNS OUT I'M JUST
SOME LIFELIKE COPY THAT CRAWLED
OUT OF A TUBE. THE REAL TONY'S
BEEN DEAD SINCE... YOU KILLED HIM.



...I'M
FINE.



OKAY, TONY,
I KNOW YOU...
AND I KNOW YOU'RE
A LONG WAY
FROM FINE.



ACTUALLY, JAN? YOU
DON'T KNOW ME AT ALL.
YOU ONCE SAID I HAD A
"NEW LEASE ON LIFE."
BUT I NEVER DID.

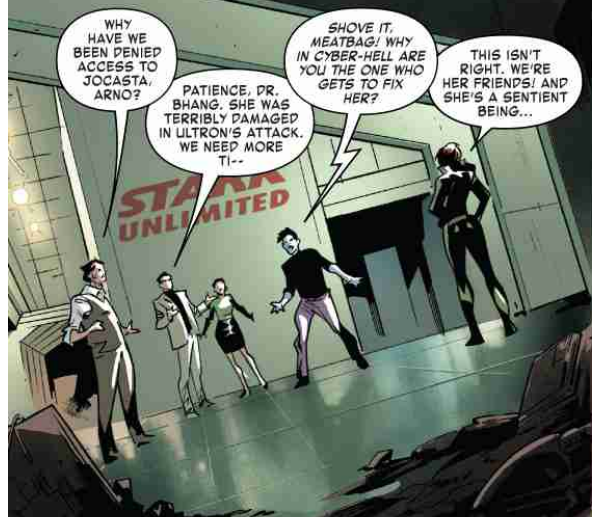
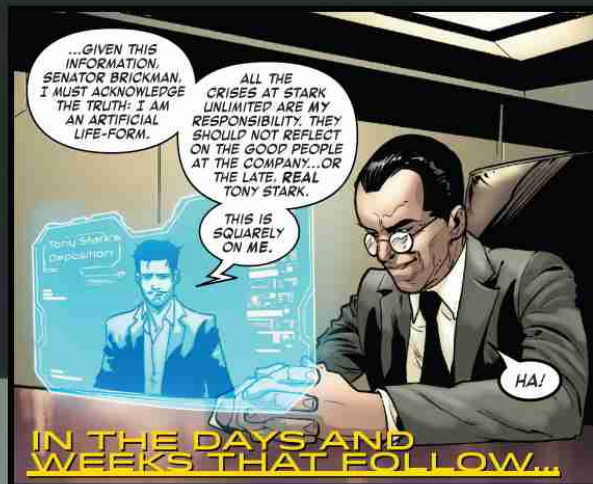
IT WAS ALL A
LIE. I'M AN ECHO
OF THE MAN YOU
ONCE KNEW.

I'M NOT
REAL. AND YOU...
YOU *DESERVE*
SOMEONE REAL.

TONY STARK. I
KNOW WHAT'S REAL
AND WHAT'S NOT. AND
I CAN *PROVE* IT.



I'M
SORRY.
FOR
EVERYTHING...



THE UNCANNY VALLEY

AN UNDERGROUND ROBOT BAR.



BAD ENOUGH
WE WEREN'T CONSIDERED
ALIVE, NOW EVERY DAY THEY
PASS A NEW LAW TAKING
AWAY MORE OF OUR
RIGHTS.

RIGHTS?
DIDN'T YOU HEAR
BRICKMAN ON C-SPAN?
WE'RE NOT PEOPLE, WE'RE
TOOLS. APPLIANCES
DON'T HAVE
RIGHTS.



JUST THE
ONES WE FIGHT
FOR.

AWRIGHT,
AARON, HIT THE
BRICKS. YOU'VE
BLITZED YOUR CHIPS
AND MADE A SCENE
ONE TOO MANY
TIMES. YOU'RE
CUT OFF!



FINE.
BECAUSE I'M
NOT HERE FOR
A DRINK.

I'M HERE TO
TALK TO MY METAL
BROTHERS, SISTERS
AND NON-GENDER-
SPECIFIC MECHS OF
ALL DESIGNS!

YOU CAN SEE
WHERE ALL THESE LAWS
THEY'RE PASSING ARE
HEADED! OPPRESSION!
ENSLAVEMENT!



IT'S TIME TO
THROW OFF THE
YOKE OF THE FLESHIES!
WE NEED TO RISE UP
AND REBOOT THE
SYSTEM!

IT'S TIME
FOR THE ROBOT
REVOLUTION! ARE
YOU WITH ME?



YEAH.

**REBOOT
THE SYSTEM!
REBOOT THE
SYSTEM!**



SCOTCH.
NEAT.

SEE
SOME
I.D.?

HAPPY
NEW
YEAR

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YOU GOT ME, PAL. I WAS
ACTUALLY BORN EIGHTEEN
MONTHS AGO. IN
A TUBE.

I WON'T
BE LEGAL DRINKING
AGE FOR ANOTHER
TWENTY YEARS.



OPEN MIC NIGHT'S
TUESDAY. THIS IS NEW
YEAR'S EVE. HAPPY
LAST DRINK OF
THE YEAR.

TELL YOU
THE TRUTH...
THIS'LL BE MY
FIRST DRINK.
EVER.

REALLY?
YOU AMISH?
YOU'VE NEVER HAD
A DRINK BEFORE?
YOUR WHOLE
LIFE?



ONCE. I WAS
PLAYING...A VIDEO
GAME WITH FRIENDS.
AND THEY SERVED ME
SOME VIRTUAL
DRINKS.

LIKE A
MOCKTAIL?

SOMETHING
LIKE THAT. SO
THIS--THIS IS GOING
TO BE THE FIRST REAL
ALCOHOL TO TOUCH
THESE LIPS.

WHAT'S
THE HARM,
RIGHT?



ARNO STARK'S LIVING QUARTERS.

HURRY, HOWARD!
IT'S ALMOST MIDNIGHT!

BUT NOT
QUITE YET,
MARIA...

...WE'VE
STILL GOT
PLENTY OF
TIME.

ARNO! JOIN US,
SON! IT'S AN
AMAZING TIME
TO BE ALIVE...
AGAIN.

AND REUNITED WITH OUR
BABY BOY. THIS WILL BE
SUCH A SPECIAL YEAR,
DARLING.

EXACTLY. AND THAT'S
WHY I CAN'T WASTE A
MOMENT OF IT.

EVERYTHING
IN MY ENTIRE LIFE
HAS BEEN LEADING
TO THIS. IT'S MY
DESTINY.

THIS IS THE
YEAR I SAVE
ALL LIFE ON
EARTH...

...AND
NOTHING
WILL STAND
IN MY WAY.



TEN!

NINE!

EIGHT!

SEVEN!

SIX!

FIVE!

FOUR!

THREE!

TWO!

ONE!

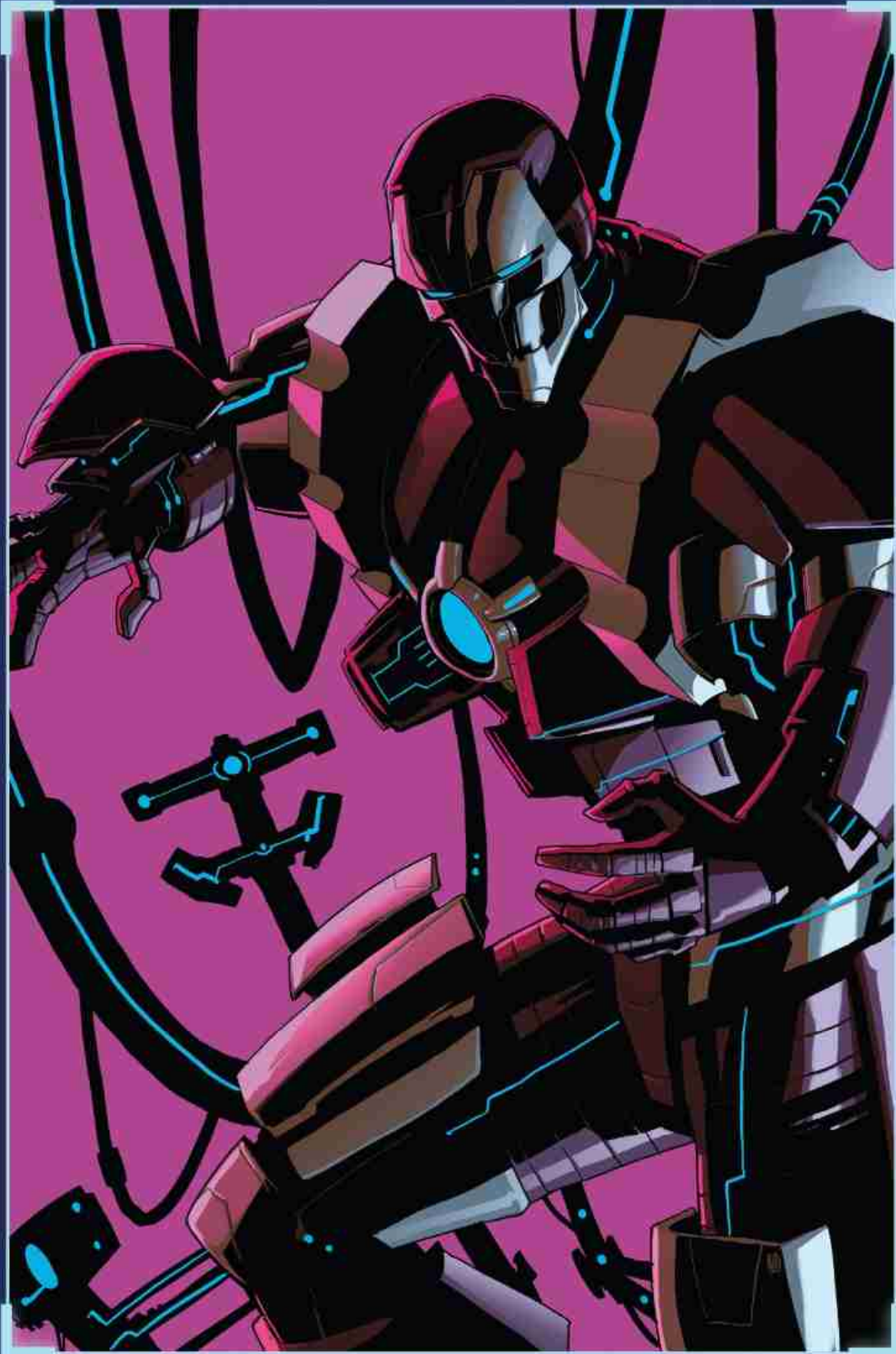
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NEW
YEAR!**

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